

# FOUNTAIN HOUSE

Dear Friends,

Fountain House (USA) is proud to provide technical support the International Conference on Psychiatry in Lahore, Pakistan.

When Fountain House was founded by a small group of individuals with serious mental illness in 1948, it was beyond their wildest dreams that their work would be replicated hundreds of times around the world and have such far reaching impact.

Fountain House has a long relationship with Fountain House Lahore as it was the first replication of our model outside of the USA. Fountain House Lahore was our first proof that our model could be adapted anywhere, regardless of culture, language, or other perceived barriers.

We all want people living with serious mental illness to reach their goals, to not be defined by their illness, and be full and active participants in their communities, and are grateful to the conference organizers for continuing to advance this work.



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